GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR TEACHER EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria for releasing central assistance to States for teacher education;

(b) the reasons for reducing central assistance to some States for teacher education from 2008-09 to 2010-11;

(c) whether some targets, as outlined in the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Restructuring and Reorganisation of Teacher Education, have not yet been completed, especially relating to functionality of DIETs and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of the recommendations given by NCERT on revision of centrally sponsored scheme of teacher education; and

(e) the action taken/being taken by the Government on these recommendations.

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (c) Under the revised scheme of Teacher Education, funds are released to the States/ Union Territories (UTs) for implementation of the Teacher Education scheme in the States/ Union Territories based on the Annual Work Plans of the State Governments/UTs and considered by the Government of India in consultation with concerned State Government/U.T. Financial assistance is given in the ratio of 75:25 in respect of General Category States and 90:10 in respect of North Eastern States.

(d) to (e) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), New Delhi had, on the request of the Government, undertaken a comprehensive evaluation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Teacher Education. The Report of the NCERT, which was submitted in August 2009, contains several findings and recommendations for revision of the Scheme, including strengthening of District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs), establishment of DIETs in districts created after 1.4.2002, strengthening of Colleges of Teacher Education (CTEs) and Institutes of Advanced Studies in Education (IASEs), establishment of Block Institutes of Education and Training, and re-vitalisation of the State Councils of Education Research and Training (SCERTs). The Government has revised the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Teacher Education incorporating the recommendations of NCERT.